MEGHALAYA

Name	Interests Represented
1. Sh. Md. Khorshedur Rahman Khan.	State Legislature.
2. Special Secretary, Govt. of Meghalaya.	State Government.
3. Sh. Kashirode Marak.	Rural interests.
4. Sh. J.S. Phanbhu	Trade and Commerce.
5. Sh. Probath Sawian.	Small Scale industry.
6. Sh. J.E. Tariang.	Member of Parliament.
7. Sh. H.W. Sten.	Press.
8. Shri Manas Choudhary.	Nominees of the Union
9. Sh. R.L. Singhania.	Minister of Communications.

Telecom Services in Assam and Meghalaya

4479. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to stato :

(a) what are the details of programme pertaining to developments in telecom services in Assam and Meghalaya during 1986-87, 1987-88 and in the current year, so far;

(b) whether the Indian Airlines has approached the Telecom department to provide data circuits at Dibrugarh, Jorhat and Dimapur to enable them to introduce computer reservation facility at these places, if so, by when the same is likely to be provided;

(c) what are the names of the members of the Telecom. Advisory Committee for Assam with details of interests represented; and

(d) what is the number of meetings held so far by the present Committee along with the recommendations made by it and implemented by this Telecom. department?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BIR BAHADUR SINGH) : (a) The achievements are given below :

Sl. No.	Item	Achievements during					
		1986-87		1987-88		1-4-88 to 31-7-88	
		Assam	Meghalya	Assam	Meghalya	Assam	Meghalya
1.	Telephone Exchange	4	1	18	1	2	—
2.	Switching Capacity	1160	1025	4179	100	70	15
3.	Direct Exchange lines	545	71	3409	651	831	164
4.	Long Distance Public Telephones	14	1	213	5	8	..
5.	Point to point STD routes.	5	..	5	1	..	..

(b) Yes, Sir. The circuits to Jorhat and Dibrugarh are likely to be provided within 6 months, and that to Dimapur within one year.

(c) It is as follows :

1. *State Administration* :
   Shri H. K. Shariya,
   Dy. Secretary, G.A.D. Govt. of Assam/Dispur.
2. *State Legislators*
   (1) Shri Gautam Ray, MLA
   (2) Shri K. Kalita, MLA
   (3) Shri D. Chaudhry, MLA
3. *Member Parliament*
   (1) Shri Bipinpal Das, M.P.
   (2) Shri Prithvi Majhi, M.P.
4. *Press* :
   Shri Naresh Raj Khowa (Guwahati)
5. *Medical Profession*
   Dr. Robin Goswamy
6. *Trade, Commerce & Industries*
   (1) Shri M. Jalan (Dibrugarh)
   (2) Shri Gopal Barua (Guwahati)
   (3) Shri Dinanath Rajkhowa (Jorhat)
   (4) Shri Robin Chaudhary (Guwahati)
7. *Public Workers*
   (1) Shri J. S. Doleh
   (2) Shri Atin Das (Silchar)
   (3) Shri S. Singh (Sonai)
   (4) Shri Jagadesh Kalita (Guwahati)
   (5) Mrs. Sofia Ahmed Anwara (Dispur)
   (6) Shri B. C. Tereng (in place of Shri J. S. Dolen since expired).
8. *Legal Profession*
   1. Shri Gulab Sharma
9. *Unspecified Category*
   1. Shri Mohitosh Roy (Silchar)
   2. Mrs. Parul Bora (Guwahati)
   3. Shri Makibur Zaman
   4. Shri R. Sen (Silchar)

(d) Meetings were held on 21-8-87 , 9-12-87 and 30-7-88. Major recommendations and the follow up action taken is as follows :

(1) To improve communication in rural and remote areas.

(2) North East Council (NEC) should provide funds for development of telecommunications.

(3) Guwahati telephone exchange should be replaced by electronic exchange.

(4) New telegraphic codes for 'Happy Rangoli Bihu' and 'Wish you speedy recovery'.

(5) Early printing of telephone directories.

The following follow-up action on the above points has been taken.

(1) During 1987-88, 213 Long Distance Telephones and 18 Small Automatic Ex-

changes have been opened in the rural areas.

(2) NEC is being approached.

(3) It is proposed during 8th plan.

(4) This has been introduced.

(5) Directory of Guwahati telephone district has since been printed. Directories at the divisional level are under print.

मोटरयान उद्योग को रियायतों का प्रदान किया जाना

4480. **श्री मिर्जा इर्शादबेग :** क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश में मोटरयान उद्योग की क्या स्थिति है; क्या यह उद्योग कमजोर पड़ता जा रहा है; इसके पुनरुद्धार संबंधी भावी योजनाएं क्या है ;

(ख) क्या मोटरयानों और उनके पुर्जों पर बिक्री कर और सीमा शुल्क में रियायत दिये जाने का कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्योरा क्या है ?

उद्योग मंत्रालय में औद्योगिक विकास विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम. अरुणाचलम) : (क) मोटर वाहन उद्योग ने लगातार विकास किया है जैसा कि उत्पादन के निम्नलिखित आंकड़ो से देखा जा सकता है :

	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88
1. यात्री कारें	102804	124694	151875
2. दुपहिए	1188565	1387403	1436871
3. सभी वाणिज्यिक वाहन	100452	98982	110201

(ख) और (ग) ईंधन बचाने वाले विभिन्न प्रकार के वाहनों का निर्माण करने के लिए फालतू पुर्जों तथा अवयवों के आयात पर रियायती दर पर सीमा शल्क की सुविधा पहले ही उपलब्ध है। बिक्री कर में रियायत का मामला राज्य सरकारों के कार्यक्षेत्र में आता है।

हल्के तथा भारी वाणिज्यिक मोटर यानों का निर्यात

4481. **श्री मिर्जा इर्शादबेग :** क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) 1987-88 के वर्ष के दौरान हल्के तथा भारी कितने वाणिज्यिक मोटरयानों का किन-किन देशों को निर्यात किया गया और उससे कितनी विदेशी मुद्रा अर्जित की गयी ;

(ख) इस सम्बन्ध में भावी योजनाएं क्या हैं; और

(ग) इस सम्बन्ध में इस समय किन-किन देशों के आर्डर प्राप्त हुए हैं और प्राप्त हुए आर्डरों का ब्योरा क्या है ?